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Syracuse University Future Professoriate Program

Call for proposals: FPP conference at White Eagle, May 17-18

Again this year the Annual FPP Conference will be held in the bucolic surroundings of the White Eagle Conference Center in Hamilton, NY, the week following Commencement. The



Graduate School is **now accepting proposals** for sessions consistent with the conference's focus on teaching, job search preparation, and other aspects of academic professionalization. Research talks are appropriate only if thematically related to one of these areas. Sessions

will last one hour and may follow any standard format, e.g., panel, workshop, solo presentation. Proposals are encouraged from both graduate students and faculty. Email your ideas to Glenn Wright (glwright@syr.edu) by **Wednesday, March 7**.

Along with its relaxed and collegial atmosphere, the conference is notable for being *free*: registration, room, board, and round-trip bus transportation from campus are all covered by the Graduate School. Don't miss this convenient and economical opportunity to build your c.v., gain confidence as a presenter, and share your skills, knowledge and insight with faculty and grad students from SU and beyond.

Registration information is forthcoming shortly, but needless to say, your presence on the program guarantees you a space at the conference. Visit the [FPP conference web page](#) for more details and programs from past events.

Upcoming FPP Deadlines

FPP Conference Proposals
Due **March 7**

FPP Participation
Summaries from PFLs
Due **March 15**

CUT Request Form from
PFLs Due **April 1**

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Questions???

Check out the New and Improved
[FPP Student Handbook!](#)

Graduate School grants available for FPP programming



Is your idea for an FPP program or event only a chunk of change away from becoming a reality? Tap the Graduate School coffers! Awards of up to **\$500** are available to support departmental programming open to the FPP community at large.

Possible uses include speaker honoraria, travel reimbursement, food, room fees, publicity, and costs associated with video recording or encoding for web upload. Creative thinking about other kinds of services or projects of value to aspiring academics

is likewise encouraged.

Funds remain available for Spring 2012 events. PFLs, Faculty Teaching Mentors, or FPP participants can make proposals using the easy online [Departmental Funding Request Form](#), or email Glenn Wright (glwright@syr.edu) with a description of the event and its relevance to a general audience of FPP members, a tentative date and location, and a budget or explanation of how the money will be used.

Also [accepting proposals](#) for Fall 2012 Professional Development Series presentations!

Get your stipend from the FPP



All FPP participants are eligible to receive an annual FPP individual stipend for a total of two years. These are normally, but not necessarily, the first two years of program participation. Currently, the minimum annual stipend is \$200, reflecting the Graduate School's contribution. Many schools/colleges supplement that award with additional funds.

Stipends will be disbursed early in May. In order to qualify, fill out the easy [FPP Participation](#)

[Summary](#) documenting your activity for the year. The form must be signed by your PFL and forwarded to the Graduate School by **March 15**. No stipend will be issued without the participation summary on file. Use of the funds is at the discretion of recipients, and there is no reporting requirement. Be sure to get the form to your PFL well in advance of the deadline!

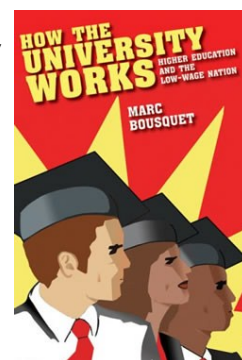
FPP presents ... Marc Bousquet!



The FPP is pleased to sponsor a visit to SU by Marc Bousquet, academic labor historian and critic of higher education. Bousquet, an associate professor of English at Santa Clara University, will deliver a talk on **Thursday, April 5th**, provisionally titled "A Lost Generation Finds Its Way." Time and location will be announced shortly.

Bousquet is the author of [How the University Works: Higher Education and the Low-Wage Nation](#) (NYU Press, 2008), co-editor of *Tenured Bosses and Disposable Teachers* (SUFP, 2004), and founding editor of *Workplace: A Journal of Academic Labor*. He also blogs for the *Chronicle of Higher Ed*.

For a preview, check out Bousquet's interview in the *Minnesota Review*, "[Higher Exploitation](#)."



How to qualify for the Certificate in University Teaching



The Certificate in University Teaching (CUT) is awarded jointly by the Graduate School and FPP-participating academic departments. Eligibility to pursue the CUT is one of the main advantages of FPP enrollment! This credential looks good on your c.v. and provides a tangible expression of your

readiness to assume college-level teaching duties.

For an overview of the CUT and general requirements, see the [FPP Participant Handbook](#). While many departments/colleges maintain their own requirements or have a special process for the CUT (consult your PFL), all base the award on the submission of a teaching portfolio. Your PFL or Faculty Teaching Mentor must approve your portfolio and submit a [CUT](#)

[Completion Form](#) on your behalf to the Graduate School.

When can I submit my materials for the CUT?

CUT Completion Forms can be accepted, and the CUT awarded, *at any time* during the academic year. However, if you wish to receive the certificate at the annual FPP award luncheon, your completion form must be on file with the Graduate School by **April 1**. Thus, it is essential that you *confer with your PFL and/or FPP mentor to establish a deadline* for portfolio submission allowing adequate time for review of your materials.

When is the FPP Award Luncheon? This year CUTs will be awarded on **Wednesday, April 25**, 12:00-2:00 in the Goldstein Alumni and Faculty Center. Limited seating for guests will be available.

Can I get the CUT even if I'm not graduating? Yes, you can receive the CUT as soon as your PFL or faculty mentor certifies that you have completed all requirements. You do not need to wait until you have completed your degree program.

Can I still participate in the FPP after earning the CUT? In general, yes. However, the FPP is a decentralized program with many variations by department/college. Please consult your PFL about eligibility requirements.